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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR

IMPROVED SALICIDE
RESISTANCE ON POLYSILICON

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BOX: PATENT APPLICATION Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to an examination of the above-identified application, and prior to calculating the filing fee of the enclosed divisional application, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following preliminary amendments and to consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-30 and 40-122 without prejudice.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 8, at line 32, after "salicide." and before "In", insert the following sentence: "A polycide may also be called a polysilicide. It should be noted that silicides can be self-aligning or non-self-aligning, and if the silicide is self-aligning, it may be called a salicide. It is to be understood by one of ordinary skill in the art that polycides, other than self-aligning silicides, may also be formed."